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Banquet, Ball Golf, Program For June Dates

Of the decisions reached at the meeting of the board in session Sunday afternoon, February 16, 1947, the one regarding the annual reunion holds, perhaps, the widest general alumni appeal.

The committee of officers unanimously concurred on sponsoring a three-day program for the alumni. This was designed, primarily, to insure a greater opportunity for maximum attendance of alumni from near and far. The dates set for the annual get-together are Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, June 21, 22, and 23.

High lights of the three-day festivities, which are subject to development and expansion, are expected to attract an all-time high attendance record. There will be an informal party with refreshments and entertainment on Saturday night. On Sunday afternoon, the age-old custom of pitting an alumni baseball team against a student team will be resumed. This revival of the bitterly fought game will be promoted in the best traditions of old rivalry.

Eat, Work, Play, Sunday Evening
The banquet and business meeting will be held Sunday evening and will be followed by a program of entertainment in the auditorium which will feature members of the association.

The traditional Mass for deceased alumni will be celebrated Monday morning, and will be followed by the first reunion breakfast, at which time talks will be given by the representatives of anniversary classes. A new feature of the annual reunions will be a special invitation to members of stipulated classes (anniversary classes) to attend the reunion.

If a sufficient number of golf enthusiasts among the alumni warrant it, a golf tournament will be held.

President of St. Edward's

Brother Edmund, C.S.C., better known to the alumni as Fred Hunt '25-'28, is now president of St. Edward's University in Austin, Tex.



LOVELY MARITA FARELL, Metropolitan Opera soprano, will present a concert on the Speckhaugh Memorial Series at 8 p. m. Thursday, March 6, in the college theatre.

While a student at the Royal Academy of Music in London, Miss Farell was engaged as soloist for a Queen's Hall Symphony concert. In quick succession followed a contract with the operatic division for radio and television appearances; leading roles for the English Coronation Festivals; an invitation to sing for the Queen and her court. When Edward Johnson heard Miss Farell's melodious voice she was handed a contract with Metropolitan Opera.

To complete the eight-program series, the Don Cossack Chorus will appear here April 10 and Richard Carpenter, concert pianist, will perform May 7.

Edmund W. Hoelker Manages Union Trust

If you should have any transactions or negotiations to conduct with the Fifth Third Union Trust Co., in Cincinnati, ask for the Assistant Cashier and Manager of the Ninth & Central Branch, for he is a St. Joe man, Edmund W. Hoelker '17-'18, 1028 Gilsey Ave., Cincinnati 2.

Mr. Hoelker received a certificate of Accountancy at St. Xavier College, where he matriculated after leaving St. Joe. Active in the local council of the Knights of Columbus, he is also a charter member of the Bishop Dwenger Council of the K. of C., of Rensselaer, Ind.

Plan for Summer Reunion, Local Alumni Club Activities

Displaying the old time flavor and zest associated with alumni gatherings in the prewar period, officers and members of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association met on the campus Sunday afternoon, February 17, 1947.

Those present were: Henry Constant '10-'13, Richmond, Ind., first vice-president; Charles Fromer '18-'23, Attica, Ind., second vice-president; Paul Monastyrski '34-'36, Rensselaer, Ind., secretary; the Rev. James Conroy '26-'32, Huntington, Ind., and Joseph LaMere '16-'20, Hammond, Ind., members of the Board of Directors; the Rev. S. H. Ley, c.p.p.s. '13-'18, and Edward Fischer '28-'34, faculty representatives.

Drawing on past experiences and knowledge of alumni work, the group conducted detailed discussions reaching practicable conclusions on such matters as the annual alumni reunion; re-establishment of the old and the organization of new alumni clubs; and possible activities of alumni clubs whose coordinated efforts would strengthen the framework of the association as a whole.

Concentrate On Reunion

At the outset of the business meeting the group concentrated its attention on the forthcoming annual alumni reunion. Suggestions, ideas and discussions stemmed from an anxiety to restore the old spirit of friendliness and joviality that characterized the reunions of past years.

Decisions developed one from the other until it was felt that a satisfactory program had been formed

Put Bombsight On Dick Cody

After amassing many awards in the war including the Distinguished Flying Cross 1st Lt., Navigator Richard E. Cody, '37-'41, was discharged on Oct. 28, 1945. Back home in Louisville, he is employed as an Insurance Investigator for the Retail Credit Co., a deafeningly quiet job by comparison.

Yet, we strongly suspect that he relies heavily on his military training, and the use of the sextant, more than once to extricate and cull the provisions and stipulations in Clause XII, paragraph 14, sub 4A1, on the reverse side of page ten. To blast any discrepancies that arise in contracted negotiations, we cannot help thinking that the Norden bombsight, also, is called into play.

Richard, his wife, the former Pauline Tonner, and two children, are at home at 4193 Blenheim Rd., St. Matthews, Kentucky.

for the enjoyment of the alumni.

Full steam ahead was the key to the problem of formation and reorganization of local alumni clubs. The number of men in a given area, it was pointed out, is no criterion in the building of the units. Spirit Will Count Most

The spirit of the men, whether they be a squad or a battalion, and their anxiety to maintain ties between their Alma Mater and other alumni clubs, should be the only guiding rule in this problem. Considerable time and discussion was then devoted to ways and means of insuring the continuance and existence of these clubs.

At the conclusion of the two-and-a-half-hour session, the secretary summarized the achievements of the meeting, expressing the hope that the spirit of the group might be injected into the entire association and that the plans and decisions might be put into successful execution. The day's activities were brought to a close with supper in the college cafeteria.

After 67 Months, Ed Blatz Tries Second Army Hitch

When Gen. Patton showed Hitler a faster, better brand of blitzkrieg, he led the Third Army across Germany to the Czech border in some beautiful broken-field running. There were many men who helped directly in this Pattonian warfare to hasten the day called "V-E."

One of these men was S/Sgt. Edward C. Baltz '37-'38, who was a Mechanic-Crew Chief with Patton's 3rd Army from Normandy to Czechoslovakia. After 67 months in the service, Eddie found it to his liking and decided to try another hitch. He can be reached through R. 1, Elm Hill Road, Nashville 10, Tenn.

See F. E. Ballard To Ship By Truck

Francis E. Ballard, '34-'38, is employed by the A & H Truck Line, Inc., of Louisville, Ky. Just a short time ago it was Tech. 5th Grade Ballard, instructor in the Ordnance Department in Red River Ordnance, Texarkana, Texas. Ballard, who is at home with wife and family at 2712 Taylor Blvd., Louisville, Ky., spent 13 months in the service.

Will We Follow the Sage?

Catholic alumni today face a great opportunity as well as a choice during this restless reconversion period following history's most devastating war. Which brings to mind the story told of a wise old man who lived alone in a cabin in the hills.

He was so gifted with wisdom that the great men of the land came to present problems and questions to which he always gave excellent counsel and the right answers.

One day a giant youth thought he could catch the old man off guard. He had a little sparrow in his big hand and he was going to ask the old man this question: "Is this bird dead or alive?" If the wise man said "Alive," he would crush the bird and prove him wrong. If he said "Dead," he would open his hand and let the bird fly away.

So this youth approached the brilliant old sage with a twinkle in his eye and put forth the question. The wise old man, without any hesitancy and with a smile, said slowly, "As you will, young man, as you will."

So it is with us today. Unlimited choice is given to us to perform our work and live our lives either the right way or the wrong way. We can listen to some voices that say "Only a sucker gives a full day's work to Christ." If enough of us heed these voices, the new and better world cultivated with twisted, tortured bodies, nurtured with the blood of millions, dreamed of in the nightmarish lives of the starving, enslaved millions of Europe and Asia, shall never be!

We, the alumni of St. Joseph's College, can take up the reins of Catholic leadership, or we can ignore the command of Christ! We can influence thinking back to Christ and fundamentals, or with the defiance of Cain's, "Am I my brother's keeper?" kill this chance for a better world. We can join forces through local clubs, a stronger association, and spread St. Joe influence in education, or we can let it struggle for itself.

The choice is at hand. "As you will, Catholic alumni, as you will."

Let's Circle the Calendar Now!

Alumni reunion days this year have been set for Saturday, Sunday and Monday, June 21, 22, 23.

It is very fortunate that the days have been agreed upon at this early date. There are most likely many appointments and dates piling up for you this year. Not the least of these are the dates you are beginning to select for a first real vacation since before the war.

Don't succumb to the temptation of putting off these important alumni dates with the too popular phrase: "There's plenty of time!"

If Your Folder Is Empty Read This!

be asking about you!

Last month's request to those who had not returned the questionnaire mailed to them last fall ferreted out of pigeon-holes some of the mimeographed sheets, which were returned with the desired information. There are still, however, many empty folders in the files. This is another appeal, therefore, for the desired—and needed—data. We are too busy at present tracing lost addresses and trying to do some constructive work to send out another mailing. Please make that mailing unnecessary, or reduce it to the minimum.

Your Ol' Monon Road, Other Campus News In Quick Pictures

The Curtain Club staged a successful production of *Brother Orchid* Feb. 17, under the direction of the Rev. Lawrence Heiman, C.P.P.S.

Nineteen new members, all football lettermen, have been initiated into the Monogram Club.

The Valentine semi-formal, sponsored by the freshman class, was attended by 115 couples.

The Monogram Club will hold its annual Prom, Saturday, May 10.

The annual student retreat is scheduled for March 7-9.

When John Walker Barriger, III, visited the campus he said that the Monon route will soon feature four diesel passenger engines and 20 streamlined cars, which he described as "equal to any in the country as far as design, dimension, and durability are concerned." The president of the railroad predicted that before long Monon passengers will be traveling at 80 or 90 miles an hour and that eventually they will reach 100 miles an hour. The latter speed will be attained only after the roadbed has been rebuilt and much of the line rerouted. It is the aim of the Monon to make the run from

Raleigh Club, J Cafe To Have Competition In New Frame Gift

A surplus government building, 51 x 144 feet, will be erected approximately 100 yards southwest of the fieldhouse.

The structure, to be brought here from Sangamon Ordnance Plant, Illiopolis, Ill., will house a snack bar, a lounge, a meeting room, a four-table ping pong room, and an eight-table billiard room. These facilities will be an addition to those provided by the J Cafe and Raleigh Club.

275 Delegates Here For NFCCS Meet

Approximately 275 delegates attended the Fort Wayne regional congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students held here Feb. 8 and 9. Representatives came from the University of Notre Dame, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Mich., Nazareth College, Kalamazoo, Mich., St. Francis College, Fort Wayne, and St. Mary's College, South Bend.

Hammond to Indianapolis in two hours.



Hear they got a new Alumni Secretary . . . She might be pretty!



COOK COUNTY ALUMNI held their first quarterly meeting of 1947 in the Sieben Bier Stube, Chicago, Jan. 28. They adopted a motion, "Operation: Basketball," whereby they were to attend a basketball doubleheader in the field house at St. Joe, Feb. 8. Playing a return engagement, Old Man Winter, with his chilling sense of humor, nullified their commendable plans. At the meeting, this chapter, which has been constantly active since its origin, inquired about the status and plans of similar alumni clubs. Guests from the college informed them of a growing interest everywhere, expressed through correspondence, and assured them that all necessary steps are being taken to revitalize old

clubs and organize new ones wherever feasible. Those within range of the camera are: Back row: the Rev. Eugene Omlor, c.p.p.s., '10-'15; the Rev. Sylvester H. Ley, c.p.p.s., '13-'18; Dr. Walter J. Barth, '09-'13; Charles Pirola, '10-'14; Medard A. Gabel, '18-'21; Oscar W. Sieben, '21-'25, chapter president; Henry Gzybowski, '30-'36, chapter sec'y-treasurer; Bernard B. Lear, '13-'19; and William S. Kozielski, '37-'41. Front row: Paul Monastyrski, '34-'36, alumni secretary; the Rev. Boniface Dreiling, c.p.p.s., '26-'31, chapter chaplain; the Rev. Francis Laudick, c.p.p.s., '25-'27; Cyril (Cy) Gaffney, '34-'37; and Jack Murray, '38-'42.

Souvenir Copy of Contact To Seal Alumni Memories

Another indication that no stone was left unturned by the Board of Directors to make this year's alumni reunion the best in the history of the Association was the enthusiastic approval of the suggestion of issuing a souvenir edition of **CONTACT** following the reunion.

If you notice during the days of the reunion that you are being followed, or if at the banquet you uneasily feel a pair of hungry eyes glued on your every movement; if you are crowded out of your pew at Mass, or even if you are kept awake all night by prying questions; worse still, if you find the disconcerting flash bulbs exploding in your face at every turn, it is quite likely that you are being plagued by a **CONTACT** reporter.

Yes, sir! news and views will fill the pages of this special edition of **CONTACT**, capturing solid memories in permanent record of old friendships renewed and new friendships made.

For years to come you will be able to relive the days in 1947 when the alumni won the baseball game; when your eyes incredibly beheld the greater, more beautiful St. Joe for the first time; the days when you met and talked to Bill, Joe and Tony for the first time in

years; how you told the boys the jokes you picked up since you left St. Joe.

All these memories will be yours each time you pick up the souvenir copy of **CONTACT** of 1947.

Among the many welcome features of this eight or more page souvenir edition will be a roster of all alumni who attended the reunion, a roster of old friends passed-on. There will be pictures of old alumni, pictures of young alumni; there will be pictures of the baseball game, pictures of the banquet, and pictures of all the festivities.

The only way to be a part of this souvenir edition of **CONTACT**, and we're sure everyone wants to be, is to attend the three-day alumni reunion on June 21, 22, and 23.

Puma 11 At Washington U

Enrolling for the summer session of 1942, David A. Walsh was called to the colors Feb. 1, 1943. He was a transfer from Notre Dame whose football jersey while at St. Joe bore the number 11. A married man now, Dave is attending George Washington University. He and Mrs. Walsh live at 7411 Piney Branch Rd., Takoma Park, Maryland.

It's Great To Be Back In The Army!

Fifty-four months of active duty in the Army are being followed by a return to service after five months for John R. Labadie, '33-'35. Home for John and his wife and son is in Ottawa, Ohio.

C. Vandagriff At WOWO

Program manager of Westinghouse WOWO, Ft. Wayne, Ind., is the title and occupation of Carl W. Vandagriff, '28-'34. He has been associated with this broadcasting station for a number of years. Carl and his wife, Harriette, have two children, a boy, six, and a girl, four. They live at 4025 Warsaw, Ft. Wayne 5.

Calling Dr. Burkhard!

Dr. Robert J. Burkhard, '40-'42, is serving his internship at St. Thomas Hospital, Akron, Ohio. After his pre-medical work at St. Joseph's, he concluded his studies in the School of Medicine at St. Louis University. The doctor, who spent 32 months as a 1st Lt. in the Medical Corps of the Army, makes his home at 423 Linwood Ave., Springfield, Ohio.

Dan Goldcamp In Law

A degree in law is the aim of Daniel H. Goldcamp, '39-'42, who is attending Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. Dan received his A.B. in economics before entering military service. He lives at 1003 Newton St., N.E., Washington 17, D. C.

Editor Cites Catholicity As Requisite Of Reporter

Employed by the Underwriter Printing & Publishing Co. as an editor, Mr. Edward Beckman '08-'12 is a specialist in life insurance news and insurance sales training.

Concluding a Classical course at St. Joseph's in the spring of 1912, Mr. Beckman matriculated at Notre Dame where he received his Ph.B. degree in Journalism. A year after graduation found Mr. Beckman in the army, and later, in France, on the staff of "Stars and Stripes," the official newspaper of the A.E.F.

In reply to a request by Fr. Ley, c.p.p.s., professor of Journalism at St. Joseph's, Mr. Beckman offered many practical suggestions for a college Journalism program that were appreciated. He stressed the importance of a good foundation in scholastic philosophy and Church history for the Catholic reporter who must know Catholic dogma and its practice.

The father of four children, Mr. Beckman and family make their home at 40 South Drive, Plandome, New York.

Has Responsible Job

Building inspector for the city of Chicago is the responsible position of Charles J. Pirola, '10-'14, who lives at 1241 Loyola Ave., zone 26. Charlie served in the first World War for twenty-three months; in a medical detachment of the British Expeditionary Forces, he was in France.

Baron Oils Industry

The wheels of industry in the Toledo area are kept well lubricated by the Baron Oil Co. of that city. Proprietor Charles P. Baron '27-'30 is also contributor to the warmth and comfort of fellow citizens who use his furnace oils. Charles' home address is 3145 Glenwood Avenue, Toledo 10, Ohio.

Floyd Drauden, '23 Requests Addresses Of Old Classmates

Floyd M. Drauden '20-'23, RFD 1, Minooka, Ill., writes as follows: "If it isn't too much trouble, I would appreciate having you send me the addresses of my former classmates of the Commercial Class of 1923." It was no trouble at all.

To us, so new on the job, it was very intriguing to leaf through the catalog of 1923. Our special interest was held by the page captioned: "Rules of Discipline," but was equally attracted by the page outlining the general order of the day on class days and on Sundays.

Do you men of '23 remember that Leo A. Cattes was the class president, assisted by Frank J. Pischke as the class secretary? It is now Rev. Leo A. Cattes, Ph.D., Sacred Heart Rectory, Mesa, Ariz., and Mr. Frank J. Pischke, 1000 W. Crescent Ave., Park Ridge, Ill.

You might remember that the class colors were olive green and gold and that the class flower was the tea rose, but we could offer odds on the number that would find it tough to recall the class smotto. It tough to recall the class motto. Here it is: "Acti labores jucundi."

To get back to work, we were happy to comply with Mr. Drauden's request, and disappointed that we could not help him on twelve members of the class of '23 whose addresses are sweating it out in our "lost" file.

Any of our faithful readers who might know the whereabouts of these men can oblige both Mr. Drauden and the secretary, by forwarding the information to this office. The secretary would appreciate that consolation after the tough session with the rules of discipline in the catalog of 1923.

The missing classmates are as follows: Sebastian A. Alig, Joseph B. Ballinger, Alexander F. Blankemeyer, Thomas P. Daley, Maurice L. Donnellan, Frederick J. Franzwa, Vincent A. Fulton, Vincent A. Yusas and Edward E. Zahnle.

M. Kolhoff Promoted At General Elect. Co.

Marvin J. Kolhoff '35-'37 has recently been appointed administrative assistant in the transportation control engineering division at the Erie Works of General Electric.

Mr. Kolhoff, of 1450 Pearce Park, Erie, Pa., entered the employ of the General Electric Company in September, 1939. Since that time he has realized an impressive list of promotions and appointments that have included, among others, the supervision of inspection training classes.

Five Green Freshman Pumas Ripen as Season Advances

Five green freshmen have ripened into a smooth quintet. This is evident in that they spent the latter part of the season defeating the very teams they had lost to early in the schedule.

Within the past month, the Pumas downed Indiana State 52-46; Illinois State Normal, 63-59, and Illinois Wesleyan, 57-53, all three of which humbled St. Joe early in December.

And here is another indication of ripening: In the season's opener, the Pumas downed Chicago Teachers 68-65, but it took a double overtime to do it. Eleven weeks later the same Pumas embarrassed the same Chicago Teachers with an 82-43 trouncing.

St. Joe won 9 of its first 17 games. Two remaining games on the schedule are Hanover, there, Feb. 25, and St. Norbert's College, of West DePere, Wis., here, at 2 p. m. Sunday, March 2.

The five freshmen who have come such a long way are Bill Krodel and Ed Alles, All-Regional cagers from Jasper (Ind.) high school; Dick Collins, star of Leo high, Chicago; Charles Greif, All-Sectional basketballer from Reitz Memorial, Evansville; and Ray Patterson, former captain of Loogootee (Ind.) high.

Dr. Etzkorn on Campus After Army Discharge

A week after his discharge from the Army as a captain in the Medical Corps, Dr. Peter A. Etzkorn, '38-'41, visited the campus with his wife and friends.

After completing his pre-medical work at St. Joe, he matriculated at the Medical School, St. Louis University, receiving his M.D. degree in 1944. Then came the internship at St. Vincent's Hospital, Toledo, O., followed by 19 months in the Army.

Classmates and friends can reach Dr. Pete by writing him in care of St. Joseph's Hospital, Lorain, O., where he is to become resident physician.

C. Chrosniak Now Home

After 30 months in the Service, Clarence A. Chrosniak '37-'40 is back home at 1253 W. 67th St., Cleveland 2, Ohio. Clarence is a drill press operator for the Hill Acme Co.

Frank L. Bertke Patient Five Years

We are sorry to have learned only recently that Frank L. Bertke, '10-'12, has been a patient at the Veterans Hospital, Marion, Indiana, for nearly five years. Frank's home address is R. R. 1, St. Henry, Ohio.

Fullback Osmanski Speaks At Banquet

Bill Osmanski, Chicago Bears' fullback, was the principal speaker at the college-academy football banquet held January 29, in St. Augustine's dining room, Rensselaer. After his talk, the former Holy Cross All-American served as the "sound-track" for movies of the Bears-Giants National League championship game.

Leon Meets Bruskotter History Repeats Itself

"History," it has been repeated, "repeats itself." Here's a case where it might have even talked back. Jim Bruskotter '32-'34, who is an Executive Secretary in the Tulsa Division office of the Ohio Oil Co., writes: "I was very pleasantly surprised about a month ago when I found Joe Leon sitting right behind me in a history class at the University of Tulsa's night school. Outside of being a little heavier, he is the same jovial Joe."

The repetitious history? Why, they both spent one year together at St. Joe; they both attended the history classes at St. Joe; and now, they . . . but, why give the story.

James W. Bruskotter and family make their home at 4028 E. 23rd St., Tulsa 4, Oklahoma. Joseph J. Leon '29-'33 is at home at 731 N. Quaker St., Tulsa, Okla.

Lloyds of London Tarry Ciesco of Whiting Signs

Lloyds of London have some rather unusual insurance policies on file and we were going to test their versatility when our trans-Atlantic lines broke down. Instead of becoming irritated, we didn't light an Old Gold, but we flicked the pages of the directory and there it was: Ciesco Insurance Agency, 1908 Superior Ave., Whiting, Ind. We called and John A. Ciesco, '22-'23, came down to insure the Pumas against loss in a recent game.

Helping John underwrite this policy were two other Whitingites: George A. Fedorko, '11-'13, 1113 Benedict Ave., and William J. Curosh, '34-'40, 1919 Lincoln Ave.

Robert Jr. Gutting Born

Robert Gutting '36-'40 of Ludlow, Ky., became the father of a six and a half pound son December 8. The Rev. Joseph Otte, c.p.p.s., '27-'32, baptized the child, Robert Joseph. This is the first nephew for Father Otte, uncle of seven nieces.

Cubs Meet Mt. Ayr When Local Tourney Opens in Fieldhouse

The State Sectional Tournament will be held in the St. Joe fieldhouse Feb. 27, 28, and March 1.

The St. Joe academy quintet, which has had an exceptionally good season, will meet Mt. Ayr high school in the first round. If the Cubs win, they will probably meet Rensselaer high school, the team picked to win the tourney.

Paul P. Hess, M. D. In Marine Corps

Entering the University of Louisville after he left St. Joseph's, Paul P. Hess '39-'41 received his M.D. from the school of medicine there in June, 1945. He spent the past several months in the Marine Corps and is at present a first lieutenant attached to the Valley Forge General Hospital at Phoenixville, Pa.

Paul calls home 324 E. Market St., New Albany, Ind. Home includes Gloria Johnson Hess, his wife, and Penny, aged 14 months. "You might express my regrets to Father Baechle," Paul writes on the back of a picture of the latter, "that she won't be able to attend any of his biology classes."

Mantey Vineyards Make Venice, Ohio, Famous

Venice, Italy, is famous for its gondolas; Venice, Ohio, for the Mantey Vineyards located near there. Owner and operator is Sylvester E. Mantey '16-'18, who is also engaged in fruit and general farming. More than that, he and Lucille have five children—two young men, two young ladies, and a girl fourteen.

A member of St. Mary's parish, Sandusky, Mr. Mantey is one of the councilmen. He is serving his third term as chairman of the Bay Civic Club, his sixth as chairman of the Erie County Child Welfare Board. And to round out his extra-agrarian activities, he is Catholic Action chairman of the Knights of Columbus in Sandusky.

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